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Hongkong, August 25, 1878.

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Hongkong, September 8, 1878.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. BALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

TOTIOE is hereby given, that TEN-DERS for the PRIVILEGE OI PREPARING and SELLING PREPAR-ED OPIUM within the Colony for the Term of One, Two, or Three Years from the 1st of March, 1879, under the Provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1858, will be Received at this Office, until Noon on WEDNES. DAY, the 23rd October, 1878.

Each Tender should specify the Monthly Payment offered for the period abovementioned.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender. Should the highest Tender be less than the sum the Governor thinks a fair price for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in Council will grant Licenses direct under Section 3 of the Ordinance, and take such further steps as may be necessary to realize a fair price.

C. MAY. Acting Colonial Secretary. Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

By Command,

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR

CHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 81st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profits to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 81st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or altera-

tions will be subsequently admitted. JAS. B. COUGHTRIE. Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

TOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary General MEETING of SHARE. HOLDERS in the above Office will be Held at the Office of the Undersigned, No. Queen's Road, on FRIDAY, the 11th Inst. at Half-past 2 P.M.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CANTON INSUBANCE OFFICE:

Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

MURRAY & LANMAN'S FLORIDA WATER.

CAUTION.

HAVING Learned that Large Quantities of IMITATIONS of our FLORIDA WATER have recently been imported to Hongkong, we caution the Public against purchasing any that does not bear the name "MURRAY & LANMAN" on the label. Each Bottle of the Genuine is wrapped with a pamphlet printed on paper which has the words "LANMAN & KEMP, NEW YORK" in Water Mark. Messre MELCHERS & Co. are our only Agents for Sale of the Gentiles Florida

Water of Hongkong. LANMAN & KEMP. New York, July 9, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS been to day that he intends VISITING AMOY and Foo-

thow, leaving Hongkorg September 15th and Returning November lat. Ronghous, August 21, 1878,

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg to notify that they have made such Arrangements in connection with their TAILORING DEPARTMENT, that they are now able to Guarantee the PROMPT Execution of Orders.

Intimations.

The Following GOODS Suitable for the present Season bave just been received, from which an early Selection is requested.

THIN BLACK SUPERFINE, for Dress Suits. FANCY BLACK and BLUE CASHMERE, MELTONS, &c., for Morning Suits. HOME SPUN, FRIEZE, BEAVER, &c., for Ulsters.
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BLACK, BLUE, and COLOURED SERGES, for Suits. CORDS, STOCKINETTES and CASSIMERES, for Riding Trowsers. UNIFORMS, LACE, BUTTONS, &c., for H. B. M. Navy and U. S. Navy.

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Hongrong, 27th September, 1878. To C. F. A. SANGSTER, Esq.,

Sheriff of the Colony of Hongkong. CIR, -We, the Undersigned, beg to request that you will call a Public Meeting to be held at the City Hall in the City of Victoria in this Colony, on Monday, the 7th day of October next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the following purpose:-1.—To consider and discuss the existing

state of insecurity of life and property in the Colony. 2.—To pass such resolutions as may be deemed advisable by the Meeting. We have the honour to be,

> Your most obedient servants. P. RYRIE, and 63 other Signatures.

HONGKONG TO WIT

TN Compliance with the above requisition, I hereby Summons and Convens PUBLIC MEETING of the Inhabitants of this Colony, to be Holden in the Building kown as the CITY HALL on MONDAY, the Seventh Day of OCTOBER, 1878, at 3 o'CLOCK in the Afternoon.

C. F. A. SANGSTER, Sheriff. Hongkong, October 1, 1878.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

CHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to Furnish the Indersigned with a List of their Contributions for the Year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of TWENTY PER CENT. (20 %) of Profits reserved for Contributors may be the 18th Instant. arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations

will be subsequently admitted. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

NOTICE.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

THE Following BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Business TO-MORROW, the 5th October, at 12 o'clock

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," D. A. J. OROMBIE, Actg. Manager. ocil For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China." H. H. NELSON, Manager. For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China." WILLIAM FORREST, Manager,

> For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris, H. VINAY, Agent. For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. For the "National Bank of India, L'ted... R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.

> HUTCHINGS begs to appounce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &c., from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support. SHOP --- WELLINGTON STEELT, opposite

Hongkong, September 20, 1878. notice.

the Cathedral.

Hongkong, October 4, 1878.

TROM the lar of Coroses. DE EASTLACKE will receive hi PATIENTS at bis new DENTAL ROOMS. No. 50, QUEER'S ROAD CENTRAL, ever the Medical Hall. Hongkong, September 28, 1578.

Shipping.

Steamers. FOR NEWCHWANG.

The Steamship Captain T. CAIN, will be de spatched for the above Por on SATURDAY, the 5th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL The Steamship now at AMOY, having Room

for about 300 Tons Cargo. will call at this Port, if sufficient inducement offers. For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents, S. S. "Glamorgan." Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "KWANGTUNG," Capt. Punchard, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 6th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

FOR SINGAPORE, PORT DARWIN. BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. (Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BOWEN" will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 7th October, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, September 26, 1878. FOR LONDON.

The "Hall" Line Steamer "SPEKE HALL,"
2,700 Tons Register, Brand,
Master, will be despatched hence on MONDAY Next, the 7th Instant This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, and Passage Tickets can be granted to Suez, thence Overland to England or the Continent via

Naples or Genoa. For further particulars, apply to BIRLEY & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, October 2, 1878. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALCUTTA. The Steamship Captain BUTCHER, will leave for the above Ports on TUES-DAY, the 15th Instant, at 3 o'clock in the

Afternoon. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, October 3, 1878. FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL The Steamship "OCEAN KING,"
Captain Roper, will be despatched as above on or about "OCEAN KING,"

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 3, 1878. MONTHLY SERVICE. FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN. SYDNEY & MELBOURNE,

tralian and New Zealand Ports, TASMANIA, NEW CALEDONIA & FIJL The Australasian Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamship "OCEAN," Captain EDMUNDSON, will be

Taking Cargo and Passengers for all Aus-

despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 8th October, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Agents, A. S. N. Co.

Hongkong, September 25, 1878.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. The Steamship "LOUDOUN CASTLE"

expected here on or about the 7th Instant, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Jo.

Agents. Hongkong, October 1, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Barque "CHALLENGE," Doughty, Master, will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

Sailing Vessels.

OLYPHANT & Co. Mongkong, October 8, 1878

shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SYDNEY VIA MANILA. The British barque " BRUNETTE,

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,

The 3/3 L 1 1 German Bark · · PANDUK." A. JANSEN, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

MEYER & Co. Hongkong, September 21, 1878.

FOR HAMBURG.

Captain OTTMANN, will be despatched as above on or about 22nd Proximo.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, September 16, 1878. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Bark

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, September 27, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Bark "LIZZIE PERRY,"
Captain PITMAN, will load here
for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, September 17, 1878.

The A 1 American Ship-

FOR NEW YORK.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Ship "MARY FRASER." for the above Port, and will

will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Ship "SIR CHARLES NAPIER,"
GEO. FRENUH, Master, will load

here for the above Port, and will

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark "LOTTIE MOORE. Hudson, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick desparch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark "ALBERT RUSSELL," CARVER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

FOR HAMBURG. The 8/3 L II American Hark "DIRIGO," Staples, Master, will load have for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

Hoggherg, July 80, 1878.

Captain Dow, will be de-TUESDAY, the 15th October. Hor Freight to both Ports, apply to

Hongkong, September 30, 1878.

FOR LONDON.

The German Schooner

For Freight, apply to

"ADA MELMORE,"
Captain Sewell, will load here
for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

For Freight, apply to

"SUMNER R. MEAD,"
DIXON, Master, will load here
for the above Port; and will for the above Port; and will

have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

"MARY FRANKK,"
DEXTER, Master, will load here have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, September 14, 1878. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Bark "ALDEBARAN," GEO. Cole, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

YOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, September 14, 1878.

have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, September 14, 1878.

Hongkong, August 19, 1878.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

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For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, August 19, 1878.

For Freight, apply to

MR HENRI VINAY has been Appointed adden to for the COMPTOIR DESCOMPTE DE PARIS, at Hongkong. Mr ERNEST SCHEVEBLIN will have power to act at the same place in Mr VINAY'S absence.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT. Manager,

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS, SHANGHAL.

Shanghal, September 6, 1878.

TITH Reference to the above, I have This Day OPENED the AGENCY of the COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS, at the Office of Messra Russell

H. VINAY, Agent.

Hongkong, September 12, 1878.

R. S. GODFREY BIRD is authorised to Sign our Firm ner Progression from This Date. WILSON & SALWAY,

Architects, &c.

Bongkong, October 3, 1878.

NOTICE. THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr ARTHUR CHART in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December last, J. INGLIS & Co.

Hongkong, June 13, 1878.

AR NG MEI KUM otherwise called NG HOK MUN is admitted a Partner in our Firm from the 2nd February, 1878.

TACK MEE, HOP KEE HONG. No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West. Hongkong, September 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of the late Mr NG SIN FOO otherwise called NG HOK SEE in our Firm CEASED from the 2nd February, 1878.

TACK MEE, HOP KEE HONG. No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West. Hongkong, September 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, HOP YEK & Co. of Howard's Godowns, No. 239, Shek Tong Tzoi, begs to notify that the sald Company is not nor will be Responsible for any Debts. contracted by any of the Firm's employees or Partners. Also, no Debt, if any, can be deducted from the Rent Payable to the said Company. The Company is only Responsible for those Accounts, which are Confirmed and Signed by Mr Chu Wing On himself, of the Kung Yun shop, Wing Lok Street.

HOP YEK & Co. Hongkong, September 13, 1878.

NOTICE.

FIGHE Undersigned having This Day PUB-CHASED the STOCK-IN-TRADE, Book Debta, and Goodwill of the CHINA DIS-PENSARY hitherto Carried on by Mr W. BALL, will conduct and carry on the said Business (in connection with the VICTORIA DISPENSARY) on his own Account from This Date.

WM. CRUICKSHANK. Hongkong, August 31; 1878.

NOTICE. THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 学日報 (Wah Taze Yat Po), CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr Leone Yook Chun, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new régime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper. KONG CHIM,

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail. Aongkong, April 6, 1878.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vescels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:---

BRUNETTE, British barque, Captain W. Dow.-Geo. R. Stevens & Co. IMPERATRICE ELISABETTA, Austrian ship-

Capt. Hreglich. - D. Musso & Co. India, American ship, Capt. O. Patten.

.Orderصبي DON QUINOTE, American ship, Captain Chas. F. King. - Messagories Maritimes.

FUEILIER, British barque, Captain Wm. Armstrong. -O. & O. S. S. Co. PREMIER, British barque, Captain A. Holmes.—Russell & Co.

RALPH M. HAYWARD, American 3-m. tchooner, Capt. L. B. Doane. - Meyer & Co. Glamis, British bark, Captain Key .-Russell & Co.

Not Responsible for Debts of Crewiss HERAT British ship, Captain Chas. Robottson, -Jardine, Mathenon & Co.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

To-morrow Evening. (SATURDAY), October 5th, 1878.

THE ROYAL ENGLISH OPERA OPERA BOUFFE COMPANY will produce

ARTHUR SULLIVAN'S DRAMATIC CANTATA "TRIAL BY JURY."

The Cantata will be preceded

OFFENBACH'S COMIC OPERA

"THE ROSE DE SAINT FLEUR."

See future announcements.

Tickets to be had and Seats escured at Messrs Kruse & Co.'s, where a Plan of the

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Dress Circle or Orchestra Stalls..... Two Dollars. Pit.....One Dollar.

Hongkong, October 4, 1878.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen del3 | cannot be admitted.

Intimations.

AFONG, PHOTOGRAPHER.

by appointment, to H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, H. E. AD. MIBAL ALFRED P. RYDER, AND TO H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

THE Spacious Premises being built especially for the production of Portraiture and fitted up so as to command the hest light throughout all the Hours of the Day is Open from 8 o'Clock a.m. until 5 o'Clock p.m., under the personal Management of D. K. Griffith, who has introduced all the latest novelties.

ENLARGEMENTS REDUCTIONS.

In a Superior Style at Moderate Charges, STUDIO, QUEEN'S ROAD, Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel,

Hongkong, September 19, 1878.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. No. 93.

CHINA SEA.

RIVER MIN-FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

"Benjamin Aymar" Rock.

NYOTICE is hereby given that a RED IN and BLACK CHEQUERED BUOY, 6 teet in Diameter, surmounted by a Black Diamond Shaped Cage, will shortly be placed at the "BENJAMIN AYMAR" ROCK on which the American Barque Benjamin Aymar struck in January, 1878, near the "North Channel" entrance to the Foochow

For Bearings, &c., see Notice to Mari- Mr O. Von der Heyde, and 40 Chinese. ners, No. 84, of 16th April, 1878. By order of the Inspector General of

Customs, GERALD E. WELLESLEY, Acting Engineer-in-Chief

Imperial Maritime Customs, Engineer's Office.

Shanghai, September 23, 1878.

Notices to Consignees.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Arratoon Apear, Captain A. B. MACTAVISH, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID BASSOON, BONS & Co.,

Agents.

Rongkong, October 3, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

MONEIGNEES of Cargo Indies, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby For SWATOW, AMOY & FOODHOW .-informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Bodowns, whence delivery may be For SWATOW .obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be lowwarded on,

unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-DAY, the 80th Inst., at 11 a.m., requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after McNpay, the 7th October, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY. Agent

Horskops, Asptember 62, 1879.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW. The Steamship "OLYMPIA" will leave this for the above Port on SUNDAY, the 6th Instant,

at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to KWOK AOHRONG.

Hongkong, October 4, 1878. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA

The Steamer "ARRATOON APOAR,"
Captain A. B. MACTAVISH, will leave for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 15th Instant, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, October 4, 1878. IN THE SUPREME COURT OF

HONGKONG. PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of CHAN WOONG TONG, Deceased. , TAM A CHAI, THOMAS HABT, WILLIAM SHANNON, A Fong, WILLIAM MATCHETT,

LEE AH LOO. ACHUN, ALEXANDER CAMPBELL, ,, Wong Yow, Leong Kin. WILLIAM DUNPHY.

OTICE is hereby given, that in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance ance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 9, of 1870, Section 3, an Order has been made by Francis Snowden, Esquire, Acting Chief Justice of the Supreme Court oce of Hongkong, limiting the time for CRE-DITORS and others to send in their CLAIMS against the above Estates to MONDAY, the 4th day of November, 1878 on or before which date all Claims must be proved, otherwise they will not be included in the scheme of Division. All Persons indebted to the said Estates

> C. B. PLUNKET, Official Administrator. Hongkong, October 4, 1878.

> > SHIPPING.

are required to make immediate Payment to

ARRIVALS.

Oct. 3, H.M.S. Magpie, 774, Wm. M. Lang, Nagasaki Sept. 26. Oct. 4, Albay, British steamer, 339, F. Ashton, Manila Sept. 29, General.—Douglas LAPRAIR & Co. Oct. 4, Karo, British steamer, 979, Col

ling, Haiphong Sept. 28, and Holhow Oct 2. General.—MEYER & Co. Oct. 4. Kirkland, British barque, 453, T. Colledge, Quinhon Sept. 22, Salt.-CHI-Oct. 4. Emulation, British barque, from

Whampoa Oct. 4, Nizam, British steamer, 1727 A. E. Barlow, Bombay Sept. 16, Galle 21, Penang 26, and Singapore 29, Mails and General.-P. & O. S. N. Co.

DEPARTURES Oct. 4, Korsor, for Newchwang 4, Thales, for Swatow. Fuyew, for Shanghal 4, Iphigenia, for Amoy.

Esmeralda, for Manila. OLEARED Jules Dufaure, for Niatrung Bay. Ulysses, for London, &c. Emuy, for Amoy. Hermann, for Newchwang.

El Dorado, for Shanghai.

Formosa, for Bangkok. PASSENGERS,

ARRIVED. Per Karo, from Halphong and Hollow, Per Nicam, from Southampton: for Hongkong, Armory Sergt. R. Taylor, Mr A. X. Brown, and Asst. Comr. Clark, and 35 Chinese deck from Straits; for Yokohama, Mrs Dumont, Messrs H. and F. Dumont

for Shanghai, one Ayah. Per Kirkland, from Quinhon, 3 Chinese. DEPARTED.

Per Esmeralda, for Manila, Mr E. de Per Thales, for Swatow, 50 Chinese. Per Eugew, for Shanghai, 60 Chinese.

TO DEPART. Per Emuy, for Amoy, 78 Ohinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS, The British steamer Albay reports

Variable winds and showery weather The British steamer Karo reports: Fresh N.W. to S.E. winds, with rain squalls

The British steamer Nisam reports Fine weather throughout. POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS MAILS will close:-

For BHANGHAL .-Per El Dorado, at 11.80 a.m. To-morrow. the 6th inst., instead of as previously Burday, October 11:notified.

Per Karo, at 11.80 a.m. To-morrow, the 8th inst. For NEWCHWANG .-Per Penedo, at 8.80 p.m. To-morrow, the

FOR BYATOW AND NEWCHWANG .-

5th inst. For YOKOHAMA. Per Malacea, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the 5th inst.

Per Kwangtung, at 8 p.m., on Saturday, the 5th inst. For Olympia, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the

For SHANGHAL-Per Nizam, at 11 a.m., on Sunday, the 6th inst. Late letters received from 11.10 to 11.30, with 18 cents late fee. The Post Office will be open from 9 Monday, November 4:-

a.m. on Sunday. For HOIHOW AND PAKHOL --Per H.M.S. Kestrel, at 8 p.m., on Monday, the 7th inst. FOR BAIGON .-Per Quinto, at 5 p.m., on Menday, the

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close:—

For PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, AND BYDNEY.— Per Ocean, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 8th Oct. 12 cent rates.

For BANGKOK. Per Dale, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 8th inst.

MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.-The Australian Contract Packet Bowen, will be despatched from Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 7th October, (instead of as previously notified), with for Singapore. Somerset, Cooktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen, Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tasmania, New Zealand, and Melbourne. Correspondence cannot be Registered after 11.15 a.m.

Mails will be closed at 11.30 a.m. Supplementary mail received on board with late fee of 18 cents till time of departure. Correspondence for Southern and Western Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is

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better to send it via Galle.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET .-The British Contract Packet Hindostan will be despatched with Mails for the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Gibraltar, Europe, and countries served through London, on THURSDAY. the 10th Oct.

I.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa, nor for Mauritius. The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :-

Wednesday, 9th Oct. -5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 10th Oct.-7 A.M., Post Office opens for of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry ceases. 10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FOR of 18 cents extra

(11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with

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MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.-The French Contract Packet Tigre be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 17th Oct., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Marscilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Bata-

Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria. The following will be the hours of closing feel assured that the efficiency of the the Malls, do.:-

Wednesday, 16th October .--5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Office closes except the Night Box. which remains open all night. Thursday, 17th October.-7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of

Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. 11 A. M., Post Office closes except for Late 11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage,

Stamps, Registry of Letters, and

11.30 A.M., when the Post Office Choses Hongkong, September 28, 1878.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Miscellaneous. Noon.-Local Banks close.

Shipping. 4 p.m. - Penedo leaves for Newchwang. Amusement.

Opera Bouffe at the City Hall.

General Memoranda. SUNDAY, October 6:-Daylight. - Kwangtung leaves for Coas 10 a.m.—Olympia leaves for Swatow.

MONDAY, October 7:-Noon. -- Bowen leaves for Singapore, &c. 8 p.m .- Public Meeting in City Hall. Goods per Yangiss undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

Speke Hall leaves for London. Tuesday, October 8:--Noon, - Ocean leaves for Port Darwin, &c. THURSDAY, October 10:-

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. 2.80 p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office, at No. 7,

Queen's Road. TRESDAY, October 15:-Noon.-American Mail leaves for Yokohame and San Francisco. 8 p.m .- Moray and Arratoon Apear leave for Singapore, &c.

TRUBSDAY, October 17 :--Noon.-French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. FRIDAY, October 18:---Occars King leaves for Suez Canal, &c.

about this date.

on or about this date. FEIDAY. November 1 :-Sp.m.-Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.4 Steamer leaves for Yokohams and San Francisco.

Ah Lon, Achun, Masun, Alex. Campbell, Wong Yow, Long Kin, and Wm. Dunphy, deceased, must be proved on en beiere tale date.

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MARRIAGE.

On the 15th August, at the parish church, Batley, Yorkshire, by the Rev. T. Davies, M.A., vicar, JAMES STOCKWELL, L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S.E., to Isseel Mary widow of the late Chas. E. Kefod, Shangbai. No cards.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1878.

A FACETIOUS correspondent writes

enquire whether the name given to Chinese constable "Lukong" is pidgin English for "Look-on." Judging from the general way in which our native protectors perform their duties, especially when there is any risk attached to them we conclude that this is the correct meaning of the name, although Mr Giles, 11 A.M., when the Post Office Closes in his "Glossary of Reference," tells us that "Lukong" is in Chinese 老 第一 "old watchman." It is to be hoped that the Committee, recently appointed by the Governor to report on the duties Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, of the Police Force, will consider the question of supplanting a few of these valiant and active watchmen either by Sikhs or Europeans. More than half the constables in the pay of the Hongkong Government-including of-course the water police, which are wholly natives with the exception of the officers -are Chinese, the total number native constables being about 340. Were about 50 or 60 of the 187 Chinese constables employed on shore retained for detective and a few special duties, and the places of the remainder filled. as they became vacant, by Sikhs, we police force would be increased and a greater degree of security enjoyed here, especially in the event of war with schedule and Precis of Ducuments Laid China, when a greater or less feeling of animosity against foreigners might be expected to spring up in the Chinese mind. That such a feeling has not received any great development during past wars between China and other countries is not a sufficient guarantee that the Chinese of the southern provinces of may be posted on payment of a China will always lack a national spiritand composedly watch the slaughter of their own countrymen by the soldiery of western nations. We understand, by the way, that the first meeting of the Committee was held yesterday.

Courier we find a translation of the prospecius of a proposed native corporation whose object is nothing less than the establishment of a postal system for the whole of China, foreign as well as native business being included in the scheme. From what we can gather from this rather bulky document it would seem that Mr Detring, the Commissioner of Customs at Tientsin, had translated into Chinese a number of extracts from the postal regulations of western countries, and these, worked into the form of a scheme for a general native post-office, were submitted to Li Hung Chang. His Excellency appears to have been so far pleased with the scheme as to approv of a trial of it between Peking, Tientsin, Newchwang, Chefoo, and Shanghai. Certair parties were also, at the same time, entrusted with the carrying out of the enterprise, but who these parties are does not appear from the prospectus before us. The prospectus invites the public to subscribe the necessary shares. and sets out the conditions under which the subscriptions will be received, as well as the proposed chief regulations for conducting the business of the corporation. It states that it is proposed to raise a capital of Tls. 100,000 in 1000 shares of Tls. 100 each, and subscriptions for any number of shares from one to Brunette leaves for Manila, &c., off or fifty may be made. Interest will be paid on the subscribed capital at the rate of 10 per cent per annum. The General Office is to be located at Shanghai, and the agencies at the other ports are to be considered branch offices. The balance of profit left after payment of all expenses, and of the 10 per cent interest on the shareholders' capital, is to be divided into ten parts. Three of these tenths are to be paid to the Imperial Covernment as a contribution, four tenths are to be divided pro rata amongst the share-Claims against the Estates of Chan Woong holders as a bonus, and two tenths are Tong, Tam Achai, Thomas Hart, Wm. to be divided amongst the Post-office Shannott, Afong, Wm. Matchett, Lee Directors as a recompense for their trouble. The remaining one tenth is at Shanghai as a reserve fund to meet (up to date).

liabilities which may arise in the future. It is expressly provided that foreign as well as native business shall be undertaken by the Office, and it is also stated that the "Post-offices will be, by degrees, extended to the river ports, to the coast ports of the South, and to the inland cities and towns." There is nothing at all unreasonable in the scheme generally; some such arrangement is in fact bound to come sooner or later, and we trust that the inauguration of a general Chinese. postal system is as near at hand as this prospectus may lead one to hope it may

THE POLICE COMMITTEE We have been requested to publish the following Documents:-

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. POLICE DUTIES AND INCREASE OF CRIME. The following Documents are published for general information. By Command,

C. MAY. Acting Col. Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office. Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1878.

His Excellency The Governor to the Honours able C. May, Acting Colonial Secretary, the Honourable Phineas Ryrie, and the Honourable Thomas Child Hayllar, Q.O. Government House.

Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1878. GENTLEMEN, -Having recently obtained from Mr Deane, the Captain Superintend. ent of Police, a Report and some Returns relating to the Night Duties of the Police. I should be glad if you would do me the favour to associate yourselves as a Committee to consider those papers and some others on the same subject, which I enclose. and to make such enquiries as you deem necessary with a view of suggesting a more

efficient disposition of the Police Force, 2. In Mr Deane's Report he observes that the Beat book has been virtually unaltered since 1874, and that he has rarely enough of men to fill all the beats, in which care he has to give one man charge of two bests. The continuance of such a system since 1874 cannot be fair to Mr Deane and the Police Force, nor can it provide in the most efficient manner for the due security

of life and property. - 8. Amongst-the papers enclosed I have therefore included the Annual Reports of the Captain Superintendent of Police since 1874, together with a letter written by Mr Deans in November last on the apparent increase of crime in Hongkong of late years. I should be glad if you would favour me with your opinions on the matters cm. braced in those Reports and in that Letter. 4. I have requested Mr Deans and Ms Creagh to attend any sittings of the Committee at which you may require their prese sence, and to give you whatever informac. tion or explanations you may deem neces-

cary; and I hereby authorize you to call before you any Inspector or other member of the Police Force for the same purpose. Any other public record or document, in addition to the enclosed, that you may desire to consult shall be placed at your

> I have the honour to be. Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant, J. Pope Hennessy, Governor.

BEFORE THE COMMITTEE 1. Minute of His Excellency the Governor on the Police Report of the Burglary in the Caine Road on the night of the 29th of

August, 1878, calling for a Report on the

night duties of the Police, with the beats.

number of men, &c. at that date, and at the same date in 1876 and 1877. Report of the Captain Superintendent of Police, dated 3rd September, 1878, transmitting the information called for, with further minutes and returns on the same subject, and letters from the Captain Superintendent suggesting certain changes.

2. Letters from Bank Managers, dated 27th September, 1878, as to increased night patrols, with correspondence and minutes 3. Police Report and Returns of Crime In a recent number of the Shanghai for the year 1874, (as published in the

Government Gazette, February, 1875.) 4. Police Report and Returns of Crims for 1875, showing "an increase of 19.74 per cent of serious crime" as compared with 1874, Government Gazette, February, 1876). 5. Police Report and Returns of Crime for 1876, showing "an increase of 6.45 per cent of Serious Crime, and an increase of 23.86 per cent of Minor Offences," as com-

pared with 1875. 6. Police Report and Returns of Crime for 1877, showing an "increase of 32.39 per cent of Serious Crime, and an increase of 7.13 per cent of Minor Offences," as compared with 1876.

7. Despatch from Governor Sir Arthur Kennedy to the Earl of Carnarvon, dated 29th September, 1878, reporting that "varis ous returns may hereafter indicate a serious increase of crime in this Colony," and attributing this apperent outbreak among "the population of Hongkong," to the cheap fares of the Canton River Steamers.

8. Returns and information on this sub-

iect transmitted to the Earl of Carnaryon by Governor Pope Hennessy. 9. Letters from His Excellency the Govern ernor to Commodoro Watson and H. M. Consul at Cauton, dated 3rd and 5th of May, 1877, respecting an attack by armed robbers on one of the villages in Hongkong, with subsequent Police Report of & similar attack on another village of the

the Governor to the Legislative Council, Un the 17th of September, 1877, on the ins crease of crime. 11: Letter from Mr Deane, the Captain Superintendent of Police, dated Bath, 26th November, 1877, submitting certain ex-

10. Statement made by His Excellency

planations concerning the apparent increase of crime in Hongkong. 12. Statement made by His Excellency the Governor to the Legislative Council, on the 12th of November, 1877; on the advantage of having Steam-launches for Police purposes, with Minutes on this sublect; and Reports from Mr Crengh and Mr

19. Papers on the subject of increasing the number of armed Police; placing the District Watchmen under the Captain Superintendent of Police, and further organizing the native Watchmen for Police

14. All the daily Police Reports and to be held by the General Post-office other Returns respecting the Police in 1878

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE delivery of the English Mail was begun at 4.5 this afternoon.

WE understand that the heads of the Police took precautions to prevent any advantage being taken in other parts of the town, by the rascals who are lurking in our midst, whilst the fire was raging at the P. & O. Company's Godowns, and Inspector Grimes was on the alert affect and around the Praya.

THE opening match of the Cricket Season was commenced this afternoon. Play began at 2 p.m. The more numerous side having | see any reason for such an assertion. won the toss, elected to bat first, and sent in Hynes and Hughes to open the ball, who were disposed of by Travers and Darby after having scored 6 runs between them. Friend was sent in, and made 17 runs, the best score of the day, when he was caught by Travers. The play to-day was not particularly brilliant, but the weather was, and this tended somewhat to make the play rather toilsome work. When the stumps were drawn at gunfire the score was 102, with 23 wickets down. Play will be resumed to-morrow at 11 o'clock. The fol-

lowing are the scores up to the present:-W. Hynes b. Travers,..... S. Hughes b. Darby,.... Stevens b. Darby,.... Caldwell c. Kernaghan b. Travers,..... Townsend b. Greer, Needham B. N., b. Darby..... Ottley b. Travers, Rooke c. Travers b. Greer..... Kernaghan c. Dunman b. Greer, Drummond b. Greer, Synge c. Heneage b. Greer,.... Somerville b. Darby, Jordan b. Greer, Midwood b. Darby,1 Grimble b. Greer, Coker o. Heneage b. Darby, Cavendish c. Saunders b. Darby, 0 Welsh b. Darby, Anton c. Heneage b. Travers, F. Smith b. Travers..... Traill o. Heneage, Saunders, Ridgway l.b.w., b. Greer, Extras,

THE P. AND O. CO.'S GODOWNS ON FIRE." One of the godowns belonging to the P. & O. Company caught fire last evening about half past 7 o'clock. The alarm was given about quarter to 8, and the various fire Stations were at once communicated with. The engines belonging to the Government and Volunteer Fire Brigades, the Fire Insurance Co.'s engine, and several hand engines belonging to Chinese were got to work as quickly as possible, and shortly after 8 o'clock immense volumes of water were being thrown upon the burning building. flight of stone steps outside the building, which leads to the upper floor on the northern side, was found very convenient, and two or three streams of water were brought to bear upon the flames in this direction, whilst others were directed both over and under the part of the building in which the fire was raging. About 20 minutes to 9 o'clock the devouring element had made an outlet through the roof and the flames shot into the air, creating a glare which could be seen for a considerable distance. The Engines worked well, and the welldirected efforts of the firemen were soon widenced. It was at one time feared that the Chinese houses adjoining were in danger, and numbers of the panic-stricken residents were making preparations to remove their goods and chattels, in fact during the early part of the conflagration Queen's Road was alive with coolies carrying loads. Inspector Grey observing this took the precaution to advise the people in the neighbourhood to remain quiet, assuring them there was no occasion for alarm, and that in the event of there being any real danger he would at once see they were made aware of it. The wisdom of this proceeding is apparent when we say that there is not a single case of robbery at the fire to be reported. This happy circumstance is of course due also, in a very great measure, to the extra vigilance of the Police, and the fact that the actual scene of the fire was confined within a compound the gates of which were religiously guarded, none but authorized persons being allowed to pass through. The efforts of the fireme kept the fire within a very limited area. the walls of the building being in many parts not even scorched; and with the exception of the eastern side the walls are not at all damaged. Mr Leatherboro of the Harbour Department, and a number of others whose fish outside the market. Fined 60 cents. names we are unable to hand down to posterity, made their way along a passage and took up a position in the immediate vicinity streets and refusing to pay chair hire. of the life, and were nearly paying very dearly for their temerity, as the flooring in the centre of the building fell in with a crash about half bast 9 o'clock. With the exception of Mr Leatherbord managed to escape unscathed, but he poor fellow fell with the flooring, Luckily for him he landed on a spring mattress from which he rebounded little the

worse for the mishap but a severe shaking,

and (as he himself quaintly said when asked

if he-was hurt) with a few corners knocked

off, Air A. K. Travers also had a corner of

two s little demance by come falling timber.

With the exception of these two we have heard of no accidents. The fire was completely mastered by 10 o'clock, although the engines continued playing for some time later. The origin of the fire is thought to be the spontaneous combustion of a quantity of table and bed linen which was stored in the upper part of the building. The godown was used as a store-room and contained a anger quantity of wines and spirits. It is looked every night and the keys are in the possession of a European, so that it is hard to assign any other reason for the fire. might have been expected in these times, "incendiarism" was the whispered word which might have been heard on all sides, but taking into account the position of the unless from the adjoining houses, we fail to tion against foes !

The loss is not a heavy one and falls upon the China Fire and the Imperial offices.

(L. and C. Express, Aug. 30th.) Captain J. C. Wilson, now in command of the Thunderer, and who served as Flag-captain on the Ohina Station, and who wears the China medal, has been appointed to succeed Commodore Hoskins says) come nearer home, does be think that mends the solving of the Afghanistan and the colonies, too, have been so anxious

on the Australian Station. tiations with the Government of China, are," be used as store places, drying sheds, or indirect British rule, the frontier of tradiction, he would be a bold man who in respecting the final abolition of the lekin or hucksters, stalls? surely not. He is quite India. The Morning Advertiser thinks that support of the free-trade theory should duties, have been broken off. It appears | right in saying our Colony produces nothing, | Lord Lytton's policy deserves the entire | contend that lands which have been acquirthat the Chinese authorities finally refused but it is a large emporium, and a centre support of the British Government. fulfilment of the promises originally given | where merchandise may be stored in safety | Berlin, Sept. 17.—The German Parlia- | and enterprise of Englishmen should be to Herr von Brandt. This course was very until such time as suitable markets can be ment has referred the anti-Socialist Bill to turned over to the unrestricted occupation likely adopted in the hope that the dis- found for their disposal. For the storage a Committee. turbances in Turkey would lead to a of said merchandise there is ample godown general European war, which would make accommodation, which can be bought or Ameer has arrived at Constantinople. it an impossibility for the European Powers hired, for almost any purpose; certainly to devote any attention to affairs in the this is the proper way, and not as is the Celestial Empire. The negotiations were custom with Chinese, using our streets and OFFICE HUNTING IN THE UNITED suspended in consequence of the departure | thoroughfares for such purposes. I fail to of our Ambassador, who is at present re- see how we can be accused of harassing cruiting his impaired health at the baths | the Chinese Merchants in their business, of Karlsbad, in Bohemia. It has, however, when we put them on a par with ourselves, transpired that negotiations have been opened between the European Powers, to roads in a legitimate manner, and not as secure united action in compelling the drying places for biche-de-mer, or other Celestials to carry out that which they offensive articles; in a very short time they originally promised.

The gunboat Nautilus, which has been stationed in China and the Mediterranean, returned to Kiel on the 24th inst., after an absence of twenty-eight months, and has been put out of commission.

been built by the Tyne Iron shipbuilding ties (slc) he need hardly fear such an event. Company, has made her trial trip off the Our Chinese Merchant fully appreciates Northumberland Coast. She is 287 feet in the benefit of trading free of squeezes and length, 34 6 feet in depth of hold. Her would not voluntarily settle under the engines are of 86 and 64 inches diameter of tender mercies of a lot of native petty officylinder, with 42-inch stroke, and have clais whose only aim would be to squeeze. been constructed by the North-Eastern Marine Engineering Company, Sunderland. done what should have been done long The yessel was taken along the measured ago, and a few more such fines will soon mile in Whitley Bay, and afterwards to put matters right; warnings are of no avail! Newbiggin. The engines worked without Any one encroaching on the side walks or a hitch, and the mean speed attained on public ways, should be punished, no matter the test was 11 knots. She is intended for who he is, otherwise you will see shop the Kast Indian and China trade.

Police Intelligence. (Both Magistrates Sitting.) 4th October, 1878.

STEALING COALS. Ching Ayan, a boatwoman, cargo boat No. 135, was charged with stealing some coals, the property of Messrs Douglas, Lapraik & Co. It appears that defendant's boat was engaged to convey some coals from an American schooner to the S. S. Thales. Captain Pocock, the master of the Thales, was standing on the verandah of Messre Douglas, Lapraik & Co.'s premises, and saw the defendant fill a bucket with coal. whilst the cargo boat was sailing towards | Captain A. E. Barlow, arrived here this the steamer, and conceal it in the after part of the boat. He immediately proceeded on board the Police Chop and reported the matter. P. C. 59 (L. McKay) accompanied Captain Pocock to the defendant's boat, and the bucket of coal was discovered concealed under a large hat in the after part of the

Defendant admitted taking the coal, but said she did not intend to sell it, but wanted to heat some water to wash her hair; she was aware she had no right to take the coal .- 14 days' hard labour.

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRED. Lan Afuk, captain of the "On Shun" stone junk, was charged by Inspector Grimes with discharging cargo at Peddar's Wharf. Mr Francis discharged the defendant, as Inspector Grimes was unable to produce any rule or regulation forbidding cargo to be landed at that wharf.

ZEALOUS CHAIR COOLIES. The bearers of licensed chairs Nos. 369 and 381, were charged by Captain J. P. McEuen, Acting Harbour Master, with obstructing the landing opposite the Harbour Master's office with their chairs. appears that Captain McEuen noticed lady landing, and the defendants placed their chairs immediately opposite the landing close to the edge, completely blocking the way. The lady (Captain McEuen said) was really in danger. The bearers of the first mentioned chair were the worst. He (Uaptain McEuen) sent a constable down to take the numbers of the defendants' chairs. The bearers of chair No. 369 were fined, 38 each, and the bearers of chair No. | 381, \$1 each.

TO-DAY'S FINZE. Chun Alun, hawking without a license,

Fined 10 cents. Mak Aying, a carpenter, and Pun Atin. a water carrier, creating a disturbance in the public streets. Fined 10 cents each. Kong Fuk Sheng, a tailor, defiling s public stream. Fined 23 cents. Lan Alan, and two others, no light

paus. Two fined 50 cents each, the other \$1. Chan Ahop, a fishmonger, hawking fresh Ohun Atung, hawking without a license. Fined 50 cents.

Tam Akum, shopkeeper, drunk in the Fined 8 shillings and ordered to pay \$1 compensation to chair coolies. Chan Afuk, assaulting Tong Achi. Fined

\$1 and ordered to pay \$1 as compensation to complainant. John Murphy, Staman H. M. S. Restret, drunk and riotous and assaulting the keeper of a brothel. Fined \$8, fifty cents of which to go to the complainant if fine be paid, Tang scheung, hawker, gambling in the

public streets. Fined 82. Lam Alin, a cook, assaulting one Ham Seng, a compradore at Shelley Street, and threatening his life. Sincd 25. Tsan Chan Tse, and another, unlawful possession of a boat. Fined 87 each. Cheung Aking, a coolie, unlawful possession of an inchase pot. Fined \$10 and

to be sheeped es e some end vegepond.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL." 3rd Oct., 1878. SIR,—In the Daily Press of this morning, appears a letter headed Officials v. Merchants, written by a person signing himself

Navy and Army, it is not my intention to strongly protests against the Indian Go- future of Chinese emigration and the Eng- report. The controller was ordered to go very deeply! it is true that in the days vernment delaying the mission to Cabul or lish colonies is, as we have frequently said, furnish proofs, which he declined to do. the Armies and Navies of other powers, building, the early hour in which the fire have a different mission to fulfill, viz., that has been authorised to reside in the island occurred, and the hopelessness of plunder of state defence, peace, and general protect of Crete.

> "Truth" speaks in such general condemna- measure. I tion of the Official class? but to (as "Truth" insisting on their using the streets and streets, (as is the case in nearly all thickly who were engaged in the discreditable work

almost impassable. and forcing them to an opposite settlement, difficulty in getting places. Among the The screw-steamer Salisbury, which has as contemplated by the Quangtung authori- Florida "statesmen" provided for was I

Mr Francis has, it appears to me, only fronts extending to the very curb stones, then, and was not prepared for that quesand even further. When "Truth" can find Europeans obstructing or using the public ways for his own benefit, and going unpunished, then he may claim rights for our Chinese Colonists—it matters not whether it be in the Chinese, or European quarter. The Public have a right to the roads and no one class should be allowed to monopolise any portion thereof.

Yours de... EQUALITY.

ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. Co's, steam-ship Nizam, afternoon with the London Mail of the 30th

> TELEGRAMS. (Straits Times Extra.)

London, Sept. 22.—The transfer of the 101st Regiment (Royal Bengal Fusiliers) (Telegram here indistinct, Reuter's Agent) cancelled in consequence of sickness in Cyprus. (This must mean that the 101st does not relieve the 28th here as stated in M'Cormick. Soon after, M'Cormick sug-Reuter's telegram of the 5th Sept.—Ed.

Constantinopls, Sept. 22.—Negociations are now proceeding between Russia and Turkey for the arrangement of the definitive Treaty of Peace, confirming the amount of indemnity payable by Turkey. and regulating the commercial relations between the two countries.

An Afghan Envoy has arrived in Constantinople and is seeking to induce the Ottoman Government to conclude a Russian

Bombay. Sept. 28. - The Mission in charge of Sir Neville Chamberlain started for Cabul but has withdrawn to Peshawar. an Officer from the Ameer stationed at the Khyber Pass having refused to allow it to

Constantinople, Sept. 24 .- The Russians have evacuated, and the Turks have occupied San Stefano.

London, Sept. 24 .- The London newspapers generally agree in opinion regarding the behaviour of the Ameer of Afghanistan and consider that it demands prompt punishment without dragging Russia into the

London, Sept. 26.-The British Government leaves the Indian Government pursue its own initiative relative to the Afghanistan. Constantinople, Sept. 26 .- The British

Squadron withdraws to Aytaki until the Russians leave Adrianople. Bombay, Sept. 26.—The Mission has been dissolved and troops are being massed upon

the frontier for early operations in case they are found necessary, but it is not intended to march to Cabul. London, Sept. 27 .- A Cabinet Council has been summoned to meet next week to

deliberate on the relations between England and Afghanistan.

The health of Lord Beaconsfield is in an uncaticisotory state.

(From Indian Papers.) Constantinople, Sept. 14 .- The refusal of England to accede to the proposal made by Germany to the signatory Powers of the Berlin Treaty, to take common steps to bring the Porte to execute its treaty stipus lations, is confirmed. The refusal is based upon a report received from Sir A. H. Layard, which affirms the good intention of the Porte to execute the terms of the Berlin Treaty.

London, Sept. 16 -The Natal ran ashere at Bouthport. Vessel expected to become The latest advisor from America state

that the relian form epidemia in the

Southern States is diminishing in consequence of colder weather having set in. Constantinople, Sept. 15.—The Russians have evacuated Erzeroum.

Loudon Sept. 15 .- Mr Rivers Wilson has been authorized by the English Government to accept the Egyptian Ministry of Finance.

when our adventuresome countrymen first accepting any promises from Russia that one of considerable gravity. On three except on the written command of His embarked in Commerce they did require she will not interfere in Afghanistan. The occasions it has now been decided by our Majesty. The Czar gave the order under armed vessels and men to protect their ships Times, in an article on the armies of the free-governed colonies that they have the his sign-manual. A few days after the and themselves, but a better state of things feudatory Princes of India, advocates their right to impose what is in effect a prohibi- Grand Duke Nicholas received a perempexists now, and our Army and Navy, like incorporation as a wing of the Indian army. tive poll-tax on these Asiatic immigrants, tory command to retire to his estate, and Constantinople, Sept. 16.—Midhat Pacha

As regards Officials, both Consular and the German Parliament there was a debate nationality have the right to trade and a foreign trip he had intended to take. Colonial, there can be no doubt, but that upon the Antl-Socialist Bill. Herr Stolberg, settle within the limits of all civilized Greigh is nominated Financial Minister at they have at heart the interests and well- the Government representative, in Prince countries. We urge that the Chinese St. Petersburg. And never had a man in being of their country, and their country- Bismarck's absence, demanded that effectual practice of shutting themselves up from his position a more difficult task to fulfil, men's honor; there may be some who take powers should be granted for the repression | the "foreign devils" is barbarous and He will probably feel this when he begins mistaken views; in what sphere is it not of Socialism. The Ultramontane leader foolish, and so on. Yet we permit our to negotiate a great loan in a month or two. so? is it because of these exceptions, that and the Socialist members opposed the colonists to adopt Chinese methods in order

the Laws of this Colony should be set at problem by making the Hindu Kush, in- to obtain for themselves in another. In This reported from Berlin that the nego- naught, and the side walks, "such as they cluding Southern Afghanistan, under direct spite, nevertheless, of this apparent con-

STATES. I will conclude this letter with a statement made by a witness before the Potter Committee which will go far to show that "Civil Service reform" in office-holding in the United States is a farce, and also the evils that must necessarily ensue in the public service by giving out offices as rewards would, if allowed, so narrow the public for political work. Nearly all the agents populated Chinese towns) as to render them of manipulating the votes of Florida and Louisiana in the Presidential election were As for driving the Chinese to desperation, at one time given offices, but some had great G. Dennis, and he related to the committee his office-hunting and office-holding experiences. Dennis arrived in Washington a few days after the inauguration in March 1877, and was introduced to the President by General Wallace, who had visited Florida. The President welcomed him cordially; said he had heard of him through Messrs Noves and Chandler, remarked that he was one of the few men the Administration could afford to take care of and asked him what he wanted Dennis said he did not know what he wanted tion; but would make up his mind and let the President know. In about a week. having made up his mind that he wanted to be an auditor in the Treasury, Dennis again visited the President and told him. The President did not promise him the position with the expected alacrity, but said there might be some changes made in officials, and that he would consult the Secretary of the Treasury. Dennis then visited the President a third time, but the President did not seem to have yet found out the condition of the Treasury; and then Dennis had to get his friends at work to urge prompter action. Among these was Mr Chandler, who suggested to the President that an immediate appointment of Dennis was necessary for his protection in Florida, as it would have a moral effect to stave off indictments with which he was threatened, and Chandler further suggested his appointment as a specical Treasury agent. The President then sent Dennis with AN AUTOMATIC WINDMILL PUMP. two autograph letters to Secretary Sherman. the first asking Sherman to appoint him to the "first suitable (changed afterwards to 'good') place," and the other asking Sherman to make him a special agent of the Treasury. These letters Dennis took to the Treasury and gave to Assistant-Secretary gested that there was a vacancy in the position of "Custodian of Plates and Dles" in the Treasury Printing Department. Dennis then went back to the President. told him what M'Cormick had said, and the President gave him an autograph letter

to the chief of the printing department, stating that, if the vacancy was not filled. he would regard it as a personal favour if mill is erected on the bank of a nullah in Dennis should be appointed. Dennis next which the automatic pump is submerged at day spoke to M'Cormick about it, and he a distance of about 60 feet. The water is said that Secretary Sherman wanted the discharged over a high bank in another place for a friend of his. Dennis told direction. The whole thing was put up by M'Cormick that the President wanted it for the farm apprentices and works smoothly a friend of his. "And Sherman beat?" and evenly. * * With the windmills interposed General Butler., "Yes sir," was going 0, revolutions per minute we got a the answer. "Sherman beat." Dennis flow of 400 gallons per hour.' Another of then, after a good deal more intriguing, these pumps has been working at Trimulwas appointed to a place in the "Depart gherry in the Madras Presidency, and the ment of Architecture," though he told the | Executive Engineer in charge of it reported committee that he knew nothing of architec- that 'working with a strong breeze, deliture, but that this place was provided as a vers almost exactly one cubic foot per minute means of "temporary relief." Dennis said | raised 414 feet high. This in nominal horse he had no specific duty | did not remember | power of 33,000 foot pounds per minute that he ever did snything; went to the equals about 1-12th horse power.' The office several times, but they never had any. pump seems to be a valuable contrivance. thing for him to do; and then did not give | readily adaptable in agricultural districts in much attention to it or go there very often. Once he told Mr M'Cormick that as he was | cess of raising water by the aid of bullocks, put on the roll there to draw pay, he did not think he should loss his capacity to do so one of these pumps would quickly give the if he allowed him to visit Massachusetts. buyer a profitable return. So M'Cormick gave him 80 days' leave of absence, and he left his address, expedting that when the auditorship was ready he would return to Washington and step into it. He went to Massachusetts and stayed 90 days, and then 120 days, and not learning anything from Washington, concluded

he had been forgotten and returned there to remind them that he still lived. Dennis got two months' pay, explaining that " they couldn't atretch it out any further than that." He then asked to be sent to Florida in some official capacity, and was appointed on the Treasury secret services While he was in Florida a committee of congress was tent there to investigate the election, and he was auddenly ordered to duty on the Diemal Swamp Canal in North Carolina and Virginia. He served for a time and afterwards residued. In adjusting his accounts, Dennis said, the Treasury refried to allow him 62 dols, travelling expenses, but be made this up by adding seven more days' pay than he was entitled When Dennis told his story General Butler asked him whether in all his officesseking and office-holding he had ever been examined, and he answered in the negative; "Did you ever hear of Civil Bervice rs-

form I" asked Butler. Donnis answered.

"Only in the newspaperai" Times Cor-

CHINESE EMIGRATION. The inhabitants of Vancouver's Island wake of Victoria some years ago, and to protect themselves against that very free London, Sept. 17 .- The Standard recom- | competition in one direction that England

ed and are made valuable by the energy of an alien race, which does not even London, Sept. 18 .- An envoy from the permanently settle in the country. Sooner or later, however, we may rely upon it, the Chinese will argue these points with us as well as with the Americans.

PUNKAHS IN BARRACKS. With the view of obtaining practical oninion on this subject. committees were formed at each station in the Bengal Presidency, - generally consisting of officers of the troops,—for whose benefit the question was raised, and an officer of the Royal Engineers. In many cases the committee reported the existing system of working punkahs to be quite satisfactory. The chief fault found by the committees lay in the connection of the punkaba by ropes; "which," to quote one report, "are liable to slacken, and cause loss of power in the forward swing; and for want of rigid connection the impetus which would be conveyed by the height of the forward to the backward punkahs of each train is quite lost in the backward swing." To remedy this it was proposed to substitute bars of wood for the ropes, and this has been carried out in many barracks; yet this was no sooner carried out in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee at the Dalhousie Barrack in Fort William than, although the punkans rigidly connected worked with a steady swing, the men did not appear to like it so much as the old jerking motion. "They appear to think," the report says, "that the sudden jerk the punkans get when connected with rope, disturbs the air better than the steady swing of those connected with bars, and the Superintending Engineer remarks that rigid connection while economising labour is open to the objection of want of jerk." On the other hand, the Morar Committee objected to the jerking action, asking for a steady swing. During the present season experiments are to be made with a moveable frame from which punkahs will be suspended, which is expected to give a considerable circulation of air with economy of labour. The present number of punksh pullers in the Bengal Presidency alone amounts to about 18,000 men (according to an abstract sent in by the Quartermaster-General), and the estimated cost for punkah pulling in the budget is Rs. 3,50,000 for the season.

The Bombay Gazette gives the following description of an Automatic Windmill Pump, which may be deserving the attention of the authorities here with a view to its introduction into Perak and other Native States for irrigation with tin mining:— "We gave in January last an interesting description of the Hartford automatic windmill pump, and we now learn that one of these pumps has been most successfully employed by Mr.A. Stormant, the Superintendent of the Government Farm at Bhadgaon. In his report for last year this gentleman says that the pump was worked with considerable success.' The wind-

lieu of the slower and more expensive proand we should fancy that the purchase of

THE RUSSIANS IN TURKEY. The Russians seem to be packing up if not yet actually travelling out of Turkey. It is strange, however, that they so long hang about Constantinople. If the Turkish Generals and diplomatists, and the English politicians are quarrelling a little amongst themselves, the domestic broils of the Russians, carefully hushed up as they are, are suspected to have a very agricus extension. Amongst statesmen and generals they resort to all that calumny can invent to blacken each other's character. But some of the dirt freely flung adheres, and on the falling out of the rogues, though honest men do get back their own, gozaip at least has its gratification. One of the stories phoote at high game, and it is confirmed from so many quarters that it can scarcely be anosyphal. A company formed for supplying the Russian Army in the field with forage and other articles found it could do no very profitable business without the usual Muscovite pot de vin. Therefore, on a hint from an officer of the Staff, the sforesaid company collected the large sum of about \$250,000 in gold and approved banknotes, and respectfully placed it in the hands of His Imperial Highness the Grand Links Alcholas, the prother of the Cass

and the Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's armies. It is needless to say that have, it seems, determined to follow in the the articles subsequently supplied by the company were of the worst description. Queensland recently, by imposing a tax of This affair, with several others of a minor £8 a head on every Chinese immigrant who and similar nature. is said to have been lands in the colony. Probably this will discovered by the Controller-General have the intended effect of shutting out Greigh, who, in a discreet manner, hinted With regard to the origin and use of our | London, Sept. 16.—The Morning Post | Chinamen altogether. This question of the at the big bribe to the Emperor in his It is certainly difficult to justify this action he is now in a sort of arrest in the Goupon any abstract principles. According vernment of Perm, The Grand Duke has to the view which we have enforced and are renounced for the present, whether vo-Berlin. Sept. 16 .- In to-day's sitting of enforcing still upon China, men of any luntarily or by command of his brother,

> MUST ASK TO HAVE. - (Driver has pulled up for a drink.) Potman : "Now, then, stout and mild."—Testy Old Gent: "You know this sort of thing won't do for me." -Driver: "Oh, well, yer can 'ave anything else yer like, you know; but nobody ain't asked yer wot you'll 'ave yet."

Quotations.

Hongkong, October 4, 1878. OPIUM -New Patna, cash....\$600 a 6021 credit, — Old Patna, cash,... 570 a 5721 New Benares, cash, 555 a 5575 credit, None Old Benares, cash, 540 a 5421 credit. — New Malwa, cash, 775 oredit, 780 Allowance Taels, 16 a 24 Old Malwa, cash, oredit. -Allowance Taels, -

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Temperature.

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Shipping Intelligence. The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:-VESSELS TO ARRIVE,

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Europe

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour. Michisive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharl. 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works. 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office. 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier. 8, From Pier to East Point.

Flag and Vessel's Name. Consignees or Agents. Captain. Tons. Destination. Romarks. Steamers Holhow & Haiphong 4 Douglas Lapraik & Co. 3 David Sassoon, Sons & Co. S'pore, Calcutta, do. 15th, 3 p.m. str. 749 Feb. Bowen 4 c Miller Brit str. 1500 City of Tokio 5 c Maury Amer. str. 5079 Dale Brit str. 654 Sept. 30 Gibb, Livingston & Co. Australian Porta Y'hama&Ban F'clace 15th inst. Bangkok 8th Inst. 1 Jardine, Matheson & Co. To-morrow Emuy.....Span. 2 Remedios & Co. Amoy and Manile To day 2 Russell & Co. To-day H.K. & W'pon Dock Co. Tug Plying 3 C. M. S. N. Co-Shanghal S'tow & Newchwang To-morrow Oot. 4 Meyer & Co. Kwok Acheong 2 Douglas Lapraik & Co. Kwangtung 5 h Punchard Brit. 6th, daylight Coast Ports Yokohama 17 P. & O. S. N. Co. 27 Jardine, Matheson & Co. Moray Brit. S'pore, Calcutta, dro 15th, 3 p.m. June 1 Geo. R. Stevens & Co. Port Darwin, do. 2 Kwok Acheong 1 Melchers & Co TO-IDOXLOM 874 Sept. 17 Soey Shing 8th Inst. on Merchandise in the same, at the Sea Gull 8 h Roberts Amer, str. S'tow & Newchwang To-day 28 Douglas Lapraik & Co. Ulysses 5 c Guard Brit. 3 Butterfield & Swire London, &c. Yesso..... S. Ashton Brit. Sept. 28 Douglas Lapraik & Co. Coast Ports str. K'loon Dock Salling Vessels Ada Melmore......4 c Sewell......Brit. bqe. 568 Sept. 18 Meyer & Co. Albert Russell 3 c Carver Amer. bqe. July 15 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Aldebaran 4 c Cole Brit. bge. New York 398 Aug. 30 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Annie Burr 8 c Simpson Am. 3m. sc. 650 Sept. Anton Gunter 3 k Kuhn Ger. bqe. 2 Eduard Schellhasa & Co. Banian 4 o Grandin Brit. sh. 15 Melchers & Co. Benefactor 4 k Hayden Amer. bge. New York 2 Russell & Co. 11 Meyer & Co. Brunette.....Brit. bqe. 12 Geo. R. Stevens & Co. Sydney via Manila Canton 1 h Knudsen Siam sh. 18 Obinese Challenge 7 c Doughty Brit, bqe. 16 Olyphant & Co. New York Chamron Kamreye ... 2 o Hunto....... Slam. bqe. Channel Queen 3 k Lacheur Brit. Charles Moureau 2 k Quatresons Fch. bqc. 11 Landstein & Co. Chocola 4 o Kennett Brit. Coeran 8 h Amer. sch. 18 W. H. Ray 1220 Dirigo 3 c Staples Amer. bge. 684 Hamburg 14 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Don Quixote 8 c King Amer. sh. 1128 8 D. Musso & Co. 4 Wieler & Co. Formosa 3 k Schweer Ger. 8m. sc. 1 Melchers & Co. Bangkok Cleared Fortune Siam. bge. 450 Sept. 16 Tack Mee George Skolfield 8 c Hail Amer. sh. 1818 Sept. 19 Arnhold, Karberg & Qo. Glamis 7 c Key Brit. bqe. 1150 Sept. 17 Russell & Co. Herat 7 c Robertson Brit. sh. 1400 Sept. 19 Jardine, Matheson & Co. Hermann 3 k Limbke Ger. bg. 210 Sept. 24 Wieler & Co. Highlander 4 k Hutchinson ... Amer. sh. 1852 Hotspur 4 k Shaw Brit. bqs. Imperatrice Elizabetta 7 c Hreglich Aust. sh. 1629 Sept. 20 D. Musso & Co. India 8 c Patten Amer. sh. 1294 Sept. 24 Order Amoy Hamburg Oleared JapanGer. Sm. so. 270 Sept. 10 Meyer & Co. Jules Dufaure 2 k Camille Fch. bqe. Mistrung Bay Oleared JulianeGer. 3m.sc. 187 Sept. 23 Wm. Pustau & Co. Kate Waters 2 h Giese Brit. bge. Kim Yong Tye 2 h Kofood Siam. bge. Kirkland 1 k Colledge Brit. bge. 453 Oct. 4 Chinese Leucadia......7 c Mearns Brit. Lizzie Perry 4 k Pitman Brit. bqe. New York Lottie Moore 4 c Hudson Amer. bqe. 880 July 22 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Now York Lucky 2 b Soderstrom ... Siam. bge. 424 Sept. Mary Fraser 4 c Dexter Brit. ah. 1174 Aug. 11 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. New York Melrose 5 k Plumer Amer. 19 Naval Storekeeper 8 Olyphant & Co. 1 Gibb, Livingston & Co. 1108 Sept. c Bisset Brit. h Hellstrom Slam. 621 Aug. Nuevo Constante 1 k Uriarte Span. sch. Pallas 5 k Balechr Ger. bqe. 21 Remedios & Co. Manila PandurGer. London Ralph M. Hayward ... 7 h Doane Am. 3m. sc. 605 Sept. 28 Meyer & Co. R. Hay 5 k Nicolson Brit. bge. 290 Sept. 11 Turner & Co. Siamese Crown 2 c Sass...... Siam. sh. 534 Sept. 28 Tack Mee Sir Charles Napier ... 3 c French Brit. sh. Spartan 8 h Vincent Amer. sch. 1161 May 27 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Sumatra 3 k Clough Amer, all, 1090 Sept. 5 Russell & Co. Sumner R. Mead 4 k Dixon Amer. New York Tyburnia 4 k Golder Brit, bqe. 948 June Venus Port. bge. 402 Aug. 7 Remedios & Co. 2 Melchers & Co. Villa de Rivadavia ... 4 c Camus Span. 261 Sept. 24 Brandao & Co. W. E. Gladstone 8 k Gallichan Brit, bge. 584 Sept. 16 Captain WHAMPOA Jacobsen...... Dan. bqe. Guilbux Fch. bqe. Flensburg 865 Sept. 12 Eduard Schallhara & Co. Marie Louise..... 425 Sept. 24 Carlowitz & Co. MOTMAD Ningpoi Cass Brit, str. 761 Sept. 30 Siemasen & Co.

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchar-	Flag.	Class.	Tons,	Guns.	Н. Р.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Audacious Frolic Kestrel Magple Mecance Ranger	6 h 6 c 6 k	British British British British British U. S.	iron-clad (flag-ship) gun vessel gun vessel military hospital gun vessel	3994 462 774 2591 541	14 4 4 8	800 100 100 160	Oct. 8 Sept. 10 Sept. 18 Oct. 3	F. Durrant Dupries H. Edwards W. M. Lang H. D. Manley

FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT, MERCHANT STEAMERS SAILING VESSELS. Sspt. 25, 1878. Hindoman British Forward Ho! British thip for New York MERCHANT STEAMERS. Hwaiyuen Haydn Brown Chiness for Shanghai Klang-kwar Chineta Hedvig British barque for Changhai Kiang-plati Kiang-was Chinese British barque *Kwangtung for Hongkong Chinese British barque Inheritance Speke Hall Kiang-yuun for London British barque Chinese Inverness Kiang yung British barque for New York Chinese Inheritante halling vessels Lee Yuen Chinesa Fantaicio J. R. Worcestes for London Ocean King Harmonis British Jerfalcon British barque for Amoy Pauxong British schooner British Katie Fritkinger Hobs. American schooles Pekin Hato Tathani British Siamore lugger Kin-sun-hwat for Sydney Pingrot British British brig British schooner Lunen for Newchwang C. Rica ship Martha French Syria Mary Whitridge for London, &c. W. Blogfried American ship for Falmouth, F. O. Tabyow Mignon American schooner Wm. Turner for Melbourns Chinese Ta-yus-fung British schoones American Mount Lobanon Ting Ting British barque Chinese . U. S. gunboat British barque Osaka

for London, &c. H.B.M. gunboat Swinger Yehein Chinese Yungning Chinese SHIPPING IN BHANGHAI HARBOUR. MERUHANT BAILING VESSELS. SeptStiber 21, 1878. Anna Camp American ship B. Aymar MERCHANT STEAMERS. American barque Breemar Cartie

Swedish barque Capella Charron Wattana Siamese whip Diamant' for London, &c. German barque Doune Castle British barque Hae-shin Chinese Fiery Oross Hakon Adelstoen Norwegian Han-kwang Chinese

Charybdis British ship Gornostal Kua Heing * Since left port, or arrived at Hongkong.

H. M. corvette Russian gunboat Chinese light-tender U. S. corvette

MER-CI-WAR

American ship

for London

for London

German barque British ship

Siamese barque

American barque

Paul Jones

Peter

Siam

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